MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF
THE ESCAMBIA COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

JANUARY 23, 2026

Present: Commissioner Ashlee M. Hofberger, Chair, District 4
Commissioner Steven R. Stroberger, Vice Chair, District 1
Commissioner Steven L. Barry, District 5
Commissioner Michael S. Kohler, District 2
Commissioner Lumon J. May, District 3
Honorable Pam Childers, Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller
Codey Leigh, General Counsel, Clerk and Comptroller's Office
Wesley J. Moreno, County Administrator
Alison Rogers, County Attorney
Ashley Danner, Office Assistant IV, Clerk and Comptroller's Office
Jose Gochez, Operations Manager, County Administrator's Office

Location: Ernie Lee Magaha Government Building, Board Chambers, First Floor
221 Palafox Place, Pensacola, Florida

Minutes prepared by: Ashley Danner

REGULAR BCC AGENDA

1. Call to Order

   Commissioner Hofberger, Chair, called the Regular Meeting of the Board of County Commissioners to order at 9:36 a.m.

2. Invocation

   Dr. Greg Mutsch of Pensacola Christian College delivered the invocation.

3. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

   Commissioner Barry led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

REGULAR BCC AGENDA – Continued

4. Items Added to the Agenda.

For Information: There were no items added to the Agenda.

5. Adoption of the Agenda.

Recommendation: That the Board adopt the agenda as prepared (or duly amended).

Motion: So moved
Made by: Commissioner May **Seconded by:** Commissioner Barry
Disposition: Carried unanimously

6. Commissioners' Forum:

A. District 2 – Commissioner Kohler provided comments;

B. District 5 – Commissioner Barry provided comments;

C. District 3 – Commissioner May provided comments;

D. District 1 – Commissioner Stroberger provided comments;

E. District 4 – Commissioner Hofberger provided comments; and

F. County Administrator Moreno also provided comments.

REGULAR BCC AGENDA – Continued

7. Proclamations.

   I. Recommendation: That the Board take the following action:

      A. Present a Proclamation commending and congratulating Mr. Charles "Mark" Butler, a volunteer Assistant District Chief in the Fire Rescue Division of the Public Safety Department, on his retirement, adopted on December 11, 2025;

      B. Ratify a Proclamation celebrating the retirement of Sergeant Joseph M. Bishop, after five years of service as the Lead Environmental Enforcement Officer in the Natural Resources Management Department; and

      C. Ratify the Proclamation commending and congratulating Danya Clapp, Accounting Specialist in the Facilities Management Department, on her retirement, and expressing gratitude for 30 years of faithful and dedicated services to the citizens of Escambia County.

Motion: So moved
Made by: Commissioner Barry **Seconded by:** Commissioner May
Disposition: Carried unanimously
Speaker(s): None

8. Recommendation: That the Board waive the reading of the legal advertisement(s) and accept, for filing with the Board's Minutes, the certified affidavit(s) establishing proof of publication for the Public Hearing(s) on the agenda, and the Board of County Commissioners – Escambia County, Florida, Meeting Schedule:

   A. The 9:15 a.m. Public Hearing, advertised in the *Pensacola News Journal* on January 13, 2026, for consideration of the adoption of an Ordinance amending Chapter 4, Article 7, "Supplemental Use Regulations," to create Section 4-7.18 Relating to Certified Recovery Residences and Reasonable Accommodation Procedures; and

   B. The *Board of County Commissioners – Escambia County, Florida, Meeting Schedule January 19, 2026, through January 23, 2026,* as published in the *Pensacola News Journal* on January 13, 2026.

Motion: So moved
Made by: Commissioner Barry **Seconded by:** Commissioner May
Disposition: Carried unanimously

CLERK & COMPTROLLER'S REPORT – Honorable Pam Childers, Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller

I. CONSENT AGENDA

1. Recommendation: That the Board accept, for filing with the Board's Minutes, the Tourist Development Tax (TDT) Collections Data for the November 2025 returns received in the month of December 2025, as prepared by the Treasury Department of the Clerk and Comptroller's Office.

   - Total collections received in December 2025 were $1,022,222 compared to $1,004,212 in December 2024. A comparison of December 2025 to December 2024 is a 1.8% increase.

   - Year-to-date collections for FY2026 are $4,199,646 compared to $4,236,624 for FY2025. A comparison of FY2026 to FY2025 is a .9% decrease.

Motion: Move the Clerk's Report
Made by: Commissioner Barry **Seconded by:** Commissioner May
Disposition: Carried unanimously

2. Recommendation: That the Board accept, for filing with the Board's Minutes, the CRA Residential Roof Funding Program Cancellation of Lien between the Escambia Board of County Commissioners and Bertha L. Stanley, 1221 Santa Fe Circle, Pensacola, FL, 32505, recorded in Official Records Book 9434, Page 105, as the indebtedness has been paid in full.

Motion: Move the Clerk's Report
Made by: Commissioner Barry **Seconded by:** Commissioner May
Disposition: Carried unanimously

CLERK & COMPTROLLER'S REPORT – Continued

I. CONSENT AGENDA – Continued

3. Recommendation: That the Board take the following action concerning Minutes and Reports prepared by the Clerk to the Board's Office:

   A. Accept, for filing with the Board's Minutes, the Report of the Gary Sansing Public Forum held January 8, 2026; and

   B. Approve the Minutes of the Regular BCC meeting held January 8, 2026.

Motion: Move the Clerk's Report
Made by: Commissioner Barry **Seconded by:** Commissioner May
Disposition: Carried unanimously

GROWTH MANAGEMENT REPORT – Horace Jones, Director, Development Services Department

I. **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

1. Recommendation: That the Board of County Commissioners (BCC), at the 9:15 a.m. Public Hearing, review and adopt an Ordinance [Number 2026-5] amending the Escambia County Land Development Code (LDC) Chapter 4, Article 7, "Supplemental Use Regulations," to create Section 4-7.18 "Certified Recovery Residences; Reasonable Accommodation Procedures," for consistency with Senate Bill 954 (2025) and Section 397.487, Florida Statutes.

Motion: Move the 9:15
Made by: Commissioner Barry **Seconded by:** Commissioner May
Disposition: Carried unanimously
Speaker(s): None

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT – Wesley J. Moreno, County Administrator

I. TECHNICAL/PUBLIC SERVICE CONSENT AGENDA

1. Recommendation: That the Board approve and authorize the Chair to sign the Cooperative Management Agreement Between the National Park Service and Escambia County, Florida, for the Cooperative Management of Perdido Key Unit Resources at Gulf Islands National Seashore.

   This area is in Commission District 1.

Motion: So moved
Made by: Commissioner Barry **Seconded by:** Commissioner May
Disposition: Carried unanimously
Speaker(s): Melissa Pino

2. Recommendation: That the Board approve and authorize the Chair to sign the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the University of West Florida (UWF) Board of Trustees and Escambia County, Florida, agreeing to allow the Water Safety Division of the Escambia County Water Safety Department to use of the UWF Aquatic Center for lifeguard tryouts upon request and subject to prior approval and facility availability.

Motion: Move the balance **For information:** The “balance” refers to Technical/Public Service Consent Agenda items 2 through 10, with the exception of item 5, which was held for a separate vote. Item 1 was also held for a separate vote.
Made by: Commissioner Barry **Seconded by:** Commissioner Kohler
Disposition: Carried unanimously

3. Recommendation: That the Board take the following action concerning a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Escambia County, Florida, and the City of Pensacola, Florida, regarding Fire Department training at 1 North "Q" Street:

   A. Approve and authorize the Chair to sign the MOU between Escambia County, Florida, and the City of Pensacola, Florida, to facilitate routine fire rescue training at the City of Pensacola's Fire Training Facility located at 1 North "Q" Street, Pensacola, Florida 32505; and

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I. TECHNICAL/PUBLIC SERVICE CONSENT AGENDA - Continued

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B. Authorize the termination of the previous 2024 Interlocal Agreement for use of the City of Pensacola's Fire Rescue Training Facility.

Motion: Move the balance **For information:** The "balance" refers to Technical/Public Service Consent Agenda items 2 through 10, with the exception of item 5, which was held for a separate vote. Item 1 was also held for a separate vote.
Made by: Commissioner Barry **Seconded by:** Commissioner Kohler
Disposition: Carried unanimously

4. Recommendation: That the Board approve the Request for Disposition of Property Form for the Information Technology Department, for property described and listed on the Request Form, with the reason for disposition stated. The items have been found to be of no further use to the County and will be disposed of properly. The average age of the equipment being retired is 9.01 years. Due to the advanced age of the devices, the hard drive and memory have been removed from each device; Escambia County should not provide these devices to other agencies as the cost to the agencies will be more to refurbish than to purchase new devices.

Motion: Move the balance **For information:** The "balance" refers to Technical/Public Service Consent Agenda items 2 through 10, with the exception of item 5, which was held for a separate vote. Item 1 was also held for a separate vote.
Made by: Commissioner Barry **Seconded by:** Commissioner Kohler
Disposition: Carried unanimously

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT – Continued

I. TECHNICAL/PUBLIC SERVICE CONSENT AGENDA - Continued

5. Recommendation: That the Board approve and authorize the Chair to sign the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) between Escambia County, Florida, and the Florida Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged (Commission), for the County to continue serving in the capacity of Community Transportation Coordinator (CTC) for Escambia County for a five-year period effective July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2030.

   The Transportation Disadvantaged Local Coordinating Board (LCB) unanimously recommended that Escambia County continue to serve as the CTC from July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2030, at its May 27, 2025 meeting.

Motion: Move to reschedule to February 5th
Made by: Commissioner Barry **Seconded by:** Commissioner May
Disposition: Carried unanimously
Speaker(s): Carolyn Grawi, Harold Griffin, Jr., Melissa Pino, Willie L. Brazile, Jr., Kevin Wade, and Derek Grant

6. Recommendation: That the Board take the following action regarding an Amendment to the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Escambia County, Florida, through the West Florida Public Library (WFPL), and the Friends of West Florida Public Library:

   A. Approve the Amendment to the MOU with the Friends of West Florida Public Library to add the Bellview and Southwest Library bookstore locations; and

   B. Authorize the Chair to sign the Amendment to the MOU.

Motion: Move the balance **For information:** The “balance” refers to Technical/Public Service Consent Agenda items 2 through 10, with the exception of item 5, which was held for a separate vote. Item 1 was also held for a separate vote.
Made by: Commissioner Barry **Seconded by:** Commissioner Kohler
Disposition: Carried unanimously

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT – Continued

I. TECHNICAL/PUBLIC SERVICE CONSENT AGENDA - Continued

7. Recommendation: That the Board take the following action concerning the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) dated October 14, 2021 (CAR I-9), with the Friends of the Southwest Branch Library Foundation, Inc.:

   A. Approve termination of the MOU; and

   B. Authorize the County Administrator to issue a Notice of Termination to the dissolved organization in accordance with the termination provision of the MOU.

   A draft Notice of Termination is included as an attachment.

Motion: Move the balance **For information:** The “balance” refers to Technical/Public Service Consent Agenda items 2 through 10, with the exception of item 5, which was held for a separate vote. Item 1 was also held for a separate vote.
Made by: Commissioner Barry **Seconded by:** Commissioner Kohler
Disposition: Carried unanimously

8. Recommendation: That the Board approve the Request for Disposition/Donation of Property for the Public Works Department. The vehicle is considered to be obsolete, and continued use will be uneconomical and/or inefficient, and it serves no useful function for County purposes.

Motion: Move the balance **For information:** The “balance” refers to Technical/Public Service Consent Agenda items 2 through 10, with the exception of item 5, which was held for a separate vote. Item 1 was also held for a separate vote.
Made by: Commissioner Barry **Seconded by:** Commissioner Kohler
Disposition: Carried unanimously

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT – Continued

I. TECHNICAL/PUBLIC SERVICE CONSENT AGENDA - Continued

9. Recommendation: That the Board approve the Request for Disposition of Property Forms for the Public Works Department for the equipment which is described and listed on the Disposition Forms, with the Reason for Disposition stated. The items are to be disposed of properly.

Motion: Move the balance **For information:** The "balance" refers to Technical/Public Service Consent Agenda items 2 through 10, with the exception of item 5, which was held for a separate vote. Item 1 was also held for a separate vote.
Made by: Commissioner Barry **Seconded by:** Commissioner Kohler
Disposition: Carried unanimously

10. Recommendation: That the Board reappoint Sandy Hadaway to the Value Adjustment Board (VAB) for a term effective retroactively on January 1, 2026, through the conclusion of the tax cycle.

A General Alert was posted from December 8 through December 19, 2025, to advise that the Escambia County Board of County Commissioners was seeking residents interested in serving on VAB. Sandy Hadaway, a current member, was the only application received.

Motion: Move the balance **For information:** The "balance" refers to Technical/Public Service Consent Agenda items 2 through 10, with the exception of item 5, which was held for a separate vote. Item 1 was also held for a separate vote.
Made by: Commissioner Barry **Seconded by:** Commissioner Kohler
Disposition: Carried unanimously

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II. BUDGET/FINANCE CONSENT AGENDA

1. Recommendation: That the Board take the following action concerning the HOME-American Rescue Plan (HOME-ARP) Program:

A. Approve the amended HOME-ARP Allocation Plan to incorporate an additional $6,222 and ratify the County Administrator's signature dated May 2025, with funds prioritized for providers that demonstrate the ability to expend funds quickly and in compliance with program requirements;

B. Approve the retroactive term date of January 22, 2026, on the Supportive Services Agreement due to the rescheduling date for the Board of County Commissioners meeting;

C. Approve the five Supportive Services Agreements to provide homelessness assistance and supportive services to the following Agencies;

AGENCY	AMOUNT
BRIGHT BRIDGE MINISTRIES	$110,000
MINISTRY VILLAGE	$194,000
OPENING DOORS	$67,625
LUTHERAN SERVICES	$142,000
RE-ENTRY ALLIANCE PENSACOLA (REAP)	$121,089

D. Approve and authorize the County Administrator to issue and sign multiple Purchase Orders for the five aforementioned agencies that will provide homelessness assistance and supportive services;

E. Confirm that the previously allocated 10% of the overall HOME-ARP funding is encumbered for County administrative, compliance, and reporting expenses, including direct administrative costs;

F. Authorize the Chair to sign the Support Services Agreements, certifications, and related documents necessary to implement this action and ensure compliance with HOME-ARP requirements; and

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II. BUDGET/FINANCE CONSENT AGENDA – Continued

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G. Authorize the County Administrator to sign, subject to legal review and sign-off, any additional program-related documents necessary to facilitate and administer the HOME-ARP Grant.

Funding: Fund 147/HOME-ARP, Cost Center 370274.

Motion: Move the item
Made by: Commissioner May **Seconded by:** Commissioner Barry
Disposition: Carried unanimously
Speaker(s): Melissa Pino

2. Recommendation: That the Board take the following action concerning the Contract Award for Artificial Reef Construction Projects:

A. Approve and authorize the County Administrator to sign the Agreement between Escambia County, Florida, and Walter Marine I, LLC, per the terms and conditions of PD 25-26.008, for the Artificial Reef Construction Projects, for an amount of $511,500; and

B. Approve and authorize the County Administrator to issue and sign a Purchase Order to Walter Marine I, LLC, in the amount of $511,500.

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II. BUDGET/FINANCE CONSENT AGENDA – Continued

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Vendor/Contractor	Funding	Amount	Contract Number
Walter Marine I, LLC	Fund 118, Gulf Coast Restoration Fund Cost Center 222015, NRDA Reef Construction Object Code 56301	$451,500	PD 25-26.008
Walter Marine I, LLC	Fund 110, Other Grants and Projects Cost Center 220331, FWC-FL Artificial Reefs,Object Code 56301 (To be approved 1-23-2026)	$60,000	PD 25-26.008
Total Funding:		$511,500	

Motion: Move the balance **For information:** The "balance" refers to Budget/Finance Consent Agenda items 2 through 30, with the exception of items 28 and 29. Item 1 was also held for a separate vote.
Made by: Commissioner Kohler **Seconded by:** Commissioner May
Disposition: Carried unanimously

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II. BUDGET/FINANCE CONSENT AGENDA – Continued

3. Recommendation: That the Board take the following action concerning Recipient/Subrecipient Agreement #25012 with the State of Florida, Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC), for the Escambia County Artificial Reef Construction 2025-2026:

   A. Approve and authorize the Chair to sign the FWC Agreement #25012, for an amount not to exceed $60,000, with FWC for the Escambia County Artificial Reef Construction 2025-2026;

   B. Approve and authorize the Chair to sign the accompanying Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act Form (Attachment G), and any subsequent program-related documents such as reporting and no-cost time extensions that do not alter the finite terms of funding amounts or budgets, subject to legal review and sign-off, without further action of the Board; and

   C. Adopt and authorize the Chair to sign the Resolution [R2026-6] approving Supplemental Budget Amendment #SBA-26019, Fund 110, in the amount of $60,000, to recognize the proceeds from FWC and to appropriate these funds for the deployment of concrete artificial reefs within the permitted Escambia County Nearshore East Reef Site.

Revenues			
Source of Funds	**Amount**	**Account Codes**	**Contract**
FWC	$60,000	Fund 110, Account (new), FWC-FL Artificial Reefs	FWC #25012
Total Revenue	$60,000		

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Expenditures			
Source of Funds	**Amount**	**Account Codes**	**Contract**
FWC	$60,000	Fund 110, Cost Center 220331 (new), FWC-FL Artificial Reefs, Object Code 56301, Improvements other than Buildings	FWC #25012
Total Expenditures	$60,000		

NOTE: The County Attorney's Office has requested that the Board be made aware of the following language:

Section 29, SEVERABILITY, CHOICE OF LAW, AND CHOICE OF VENUE, (pages 29 and 30 of 34), last three sentences, "The Parties have selected the Second Judicial Circuit in Leon County, Florida, as the mandatory and exclusive forum for resolving any dispute, in law or equity, that arises out of or relates to the parties' transactions. By signing this Agreement, Recipient affirms that Recipient considers the Second Judicial Circuit to be a fair and convenient forum for any legal action or other proceeding of any kind designed to resolve such a dispute. The Recipient will not initiate in any other forum a legal action or other proceeding to which this provision applies."

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   Section 30, JURY TRIAL WAIVER, (page 30 of 34), "As part of the consideration of this Agreement, the Parties hereby waive trial by jury in any action or proceeding brought by any party against any other party pertaining to any matter whatsoever arising out of or in any way connected with this Agreement, or with the products or services provided under this Agreement, including but not limited to any claim by the Recipient of *quantum meruit."*

Motion: Move the balance **For information:** The "balance" refers to Budget/Finance Consent Agenda items 2 through 30, with the exception of items 28 and 29. Item 1 was also held for a separate vote.
Made by: Commissioner Kohler **Seconded by:** Commissioner May
Disposition: Carried unanimously

4. Recommendation: That the Board adopt and authorize the Chair to sign the Resolution [R2026-7] approving Supplemental Budget Amendment #SBA-26027, in the amount of $209,026,652, to appropriate available fund and grant balances, reallocate budgeted funds to cover unanticipated needs and deficit rollup balances, and provide sufficient funds for ongoing operations through Fiscal Year end.

Motion: Move the balance **For information:** The "balance" refers to Budget/Finance Consent Agenda items 2 through 30, with the exception of items 28 and 29. Item 1 was also held for a separate vote.
Made by: Commissioner Kohler **Seconded by:** Commissioner May
Disposition: Carried unanimously

II. BUDGET/FINANCE CONSENT AGENDA – Continued

5. Recommendation: That the Board adopt and authorize the Chair to sign the Resolution [R2026-8] approving Supplemental Budget Amendment #SBA-26020, Other Grants and Projects Fund (110), in the amount of $28,358 to recognize the annual distribution of funds per Florida Statute 401.113(1).

   Funding Source: Fund 110, Grants, Cost Center 330318, EMS County Awards.

Motion: Move the balance **For information:** The "balance" refers to Budget/Finance Consent Agenda items 2 through 30, with the exception of items 28 and 29. Item 1 was also held for a separate vote.
Made by: Commissioner Kohler **Seconded by:** Commissioner May
Disposition: Carried unanimously

6. Recommendation: That the Board take the following action concerning the addition of one full-time employee (FTE) to the Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Division:

   A. Approve one new FTE for EMS to create the position of EMS Chief Medical Officer (CMO); and

   B. Approve Administrative Budget Amendment #ABA-26039 to personnel funding to accommodate the new FTE.

Motion: Move the balance **For information:** The "balance" refers to Budget/Finance Consent Agenda items 2 through 30, with the exception of items 28 and 29. Item 1 was also held for a separate vote.
Made by: Commissioner Kohler **Seconded by:** Commissioner May
Disposition: Carried unanimously

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II. BUDGET/FINANCE CONSENT AGENDA – Continued

7. Recommendation: That the Board take the following action concerning the State Fire Marshall Grant Agreement #FM1214 between Escambia County, Florida, and the State of Florida Department of Financial Services regarding sustainment funding for Escambia County Fire Rescue's Specialty Teams (ECFR) Hazmat Team and Urban Search and Rescue:

A. Approve and authorize the Chair to sign the State Funded Grant Agreement #FM1214 between Escambia County, Florida, and the Florida Department of Financial Services for sustainment funds of $55,000 for ECFR's Specialty Teams Hazmat and Urban Search and Rescue; and

B. Adopt and authorize the Chair to sign the Resolution [R2026-9] approving #SBA-26023.

Revenues			
Source of Funds	**Amount**	**Account Codes**	**Contract**
Florida Department of Financial Services	$55,000	New	FM1214
Total Revenue	$55,000		
Expenditures	$55,000		
Source of Funds	**Amount**	**Account Codes**	**Contract**
Florida Department of Financial Services	$55,000	Cost Center: 330240 Object Code: 56401	N/A
Total Expenditures	$55,000		

Motion: Move the balance **For information:** The “balance” refers to Budget/Finance Consent Agenda items 2 through 30, with the exception of items 28 and 29. Item 1 was also held for a separate vote.
Made by: Commissioner Kohler **Seconded by:** Commissioner May
Disposition: Carried unanimously

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT – Continued

II. BUDGET/FINANCE CONSENT AGENDA – Continued

8. Recommendation: That the Board approve and authorize the County Administrator to sign a Purchase Order in the amount of $95,786.50 to Bound Tree Medical, LLC, for the purpose of purchasing medical equipment using Buy Board Contract #704-23.

Vendor/Contractor	**Funding**	**Amount**	**Contract**
Bound Tree Medical, LLC Vendor #025153	Fund 408, EMS Cost Center 330302 (EMS)	$95,786.50	Buy Board Contract #704-23

Motion: Move the balance **For information:** The “balance” refers to Budget/Finance Consent Agenda items 2 through 30, with the exception of items 28 and 29. Item 1 was also held for a separate vote.
Made by: Commissioner Kohler **Seconded by:** Commissioner May
Disposition: Carried unanimously

9. Recommendation: That the Board take the following action concerning the Contract Award for PD 25-26.027, Medical Tent AC Systems - Re-solicit.:

A. Approve and authorize the County Administrator to sign the Agreement between Escambia County, Florida, and Hot Zone USA, LLC, per the terms and conditions of PD 25-26.027 Medical Tent AC Systems - Re-Solicit; and

B. Authorize the County Administrator to issue and sign a Purchase Order in the amount of $69,374.20 to Hot Zone USA, LLC, for the purpose of purchasing five additional AC units for use in the Medical Tent used by the Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Division of the Public Safety Department.

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Vendor/Contractor	**Funding**	**Amount**	**Contract Number**
Hot Zone USA, LLC Vendor #432815	Fund 408, Emergency Medical Services Cost Center 330302	$69,374.20	PD 25-26.027, Medical Tent AC Systems — Re-Solicit

Motion: Move the balance **For information:** The “balance” refers to Budget/Finance Consent Agenda items 2 through 30, with the exception of items 28 and 29. Item 1 was also held for a separate vote.
Made by: Commissioner Kohler **Seconded by:** Commissioner May
Disposition: Carried unanimously

10. Recommendation: That the Board approve and authorize the County Administrator to sign the Amendment to the Agreement between Escambia County, Florida, and Dental Power International, Inc., PD 20-21.075, Inmate Dental Care Services for Escambia County Corrections. This Amendment is to increase the hourly billing rate from $149.95 to $157.45 to be effective as of the last date executed.

    Funding from Fund 001, Cost Center 290402, Inmate Medical.

Motion: Move the balance **For information:** The “balance” refers to Budget/Finance Consent Agenda items 2 through 30, with the exception of items 28 and 29. Item 1 was also held for a separate vote.
Made by: Commissioner Kohler **Seconded by:** Commissioner May
Disposition: Carried unanimously

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT – Continued

II. BUDGET/FINANCE CONSENT AGENDA – Continued

11. Recommendation: That the Board ratify the Amendments to the Agreements between Escambia County, Florida, and the following vendors under PD 21-22.128, Escambia County Department Supplies, to extend the contract for an additional six months, effective January 18, 2026:

    1. Bob Barker Company, Inc.

    2. Charles Neely Corporation dba PR Chemical & Paper Supply

    3. Charm-Tex, Inc.

Motion: Move the balance **For information:** The "balance" refers to Budget/Finance Consent Agenda items 2 through 30, with the exception of items 28 and 29. Item 1 was also held for a separate vote.
Made by: Commissioner Kohler **Seconded by:** Commissioner May
Disposition: Carried unanimously

12. Recommendation: That the Board approve the following allocations of Law Enforcement Trust (LET) Funds per the requirements of Florida Statute 932.7055(5) for Outside Agency partners in Escambia County for Fiscal Year 2025/2026:

    A. Society of St. Vincent de Paul in the amount of $4,000;

    B. United Way of West Florida, Inc., in the amount of $5,000; and

    C. Every Child a Reader in Escambia, Inc. (ReadyKids!), in the amount of $5,000.

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II. BUDGET/FINANCE CONSENT AGENDA – Continued

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Upon approval of these funding allocations, the Sheriff's Office will process all appropriate paperwork and submit for payment from LET Funds to the Escambia Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller.

Funding Source: Law Enforcement Trust, Fund 121, Cost Center 540103, Object Code 58201, Aids to Private Organizations.

Motion: Move the balance **For information:** The "balance" refers to Budget/Finance Consent Agenda items 2 through 30, with the exception of items 28 and 29. Item 1 was also held for a separate vote.
Made by: Commissioner Kohler **Seconded by:** Commissioner May
Disposition: Carried unanimously

13. Recommendation: That the Board take the following action concerning a Caterpillar Certified Machine Rebuild of PN 63817:

A. Authorize the Single-Source procurement of a Caterpillar Certified Powertrain and Hydraulic System Rebuild for the County-owned Caterpillar 836K Compactor (Serial #T6X00101) for Waste Services Department Operations; and

B. Approve and authorize the County Administrator to issue and sign a Purchase Order to Thompson Tractor Company, Inc., in the amount of $853,717.28, for the Certified Rebuild of the County-owned 836K Compactor (Serial #T6X00101).

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Vendor/Contractor	Funding	Amount	Contract
Thompson Tractor Company, Inc.	Fund 401, Solid Waste Fund; Cost Center 230314, SW Operations Object Code: 56401, Machinery and Equipment	$853,717.28	Single Source_Caterpillar Certified Rebuild

Motion: Move the balance **For information:** The "balance" refers to Budget/Finance Consent Agenda items 2 through 30, with the exception of items 28 and 29. Item 1 was also held for a separate vote.
Made by: Commissioner Kohler **Seconded by:** Commissioner May
Disposition: Carried unanimously

14. Recommendation: That the Board take the following action concerning the Single Source purchase of Posi-Shell for the Waste Services Department:

A. Approve the Single Source procurement of Posi-Shell materials; and

B. Approve and authorize the County Administrator to issue and sign a Blanket Purchase Order in the amount of $185,000 to LSC Environmental Products, LLC, for the purchase of Posi-Shell materials, to be used as an alternative landfill cover, at the Waste Services Perdido Landfill.

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Vendor/Contractor	Funding	Amount
LSC Environmental Products, LLC	Fund 401, Solid Waste Fund Cost Center: 230314 SW Operations Object Code: 55201 Operating Supplies	$185,000

Motion: Move the balance **For information:** The "balance" refers to Budget/Finance Consent Agenda items 2 through 30, with the exception of items 28 and 29. Item 1 was also held for a separate vote.
Made by: Commissioner Kohler **Seconded by:** Commissioner May
Disposition: Carried unanimously

15. Recommendation: That the Board adopt and authorize the Chair to sign the Resolution [R2026-10] approving Supplemental Budget Amendment #SBA-26022, Fund 401, Solid Waste Fund in the amount of $192,340, to recognize insurance proceeds received for damages to the truck and trailer by a downed power line on Beulah Road, December 5, 2025, and appropriate these funds back into the Solid Waste Fund, Cost Center 230307, Object Code 56402:

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Revenues		
Source of Funds	**Amount**	**Account Codes**
Insurance Proceeds	$192,340	Fund 401, Solid Waste Fund, Account 369008
Total Revenue	$192,340	
Expenditures		
Source of Funds	**Amount**	**Account Codes**
Insurance Proceeds	$192,340	Fund 401, Solid Waste Fund, Cost Center 230307, Object Code 56402, Vehicles
Total Expenditures	$192,340	

Motion: Move the balance **For information:** The “balance” refers to Budget/Finance Consent Agenda items 2 through 30, with the exception of items 28 and 29. Item 1 was also held for a separate vote.
Made by: Commissioner Kohler **Seconded by:** Commissioner May
Disposition: Carried unanimously

16. Recommendation: That the Board accept for the record the Fiscal Year 2026, $25,000-$50,000 Purchasing Report for the First Quarter, which ended December 31, 2025.

Motion: Move the balance **For information:** The “balance” refers to Budget/Finance Consent Agenda items 2 through 30, with the exception of items 28 and 29. Item 1 was also held for a separate vote.
Made by: Commissioner Kohler **Seconded by:** Commissioner May
Disposition: Carried unanimously

II. BUDGET/FINANCE CONSENT AGENDA – Continued

17. Recommendation: That the Board take the following action concerning the purchase of one Caterpillar D6 LGP VPAT Tractor with optional five-year/7500-hour extended power train, hydraulic, and technology warranty for the Waste Services Department:

A. Authorize the use of Sourcewell Contract #011723-CAT; and

B. Approve and authorize the County Administrator to issue and sign a Purchase Order to Thompson Tractor Co, Inc., for $625,518 for one Caterpillar D6 LGP VPAT Tractor with optional five-year/7500-hour extended power train, hydraulic, and technology warranty for the Waste Services Department.

Vendor	**Funding**	**Amount**	**Contract Number**
Thompson Tractor Co., Inc. (Vendor #201640)	Fund 401 Cost Center 230314 Object Code 56401	$625,518	Sourcewell Contract #011723-CAT

Motion: Move the balance **For information:** The “balance” refers to Budget/Finance Consent Agenda items 2 through 30, with the exception of items 28 and 29. Item 1 was also held for a separate vote.
Made by: Commissioner Kohler **Seconded by:** Commissioner May
Disposition: Carried unanimously

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II. BUDGET/FINANCE CONSENT AGENDA – Continued

18. Recommendation: That the Board take the following action concerning the purchase of one 2026 Ford Ranger Super Crew 4x4 Truck for the Natural Resources Department/Water Quality:

A. Authorize the use of the Florida Sheriff's Association Contract #FSA 25-VEL33; and

B. Approve the issuance of a Purchase Order in the amount of $40,173, to Duval Ford, for one 2026 Ford Ranger Super Crew 4x4 Truck for the Natural Resources Department/Water Quality.

Vendor	**Funding**	**Amount**	**Contract Number**
Duval Ford Vendor #042807	Fund 353, LOST IV Cost Center 220104 Object Code 56402 Project Code 22NR1759	$40,173	FSA 25-VEL33

Motion: Move the balance **For information:** The "balance" refers to Budget/Finance Consent Agenda items 2 through 30, with the exception of items 28 and 29. Item 1 was also held for a separate vote.
Made by: Commissioner Kohler **Seconded by:** Commissioner May
Disposition: Carried unanimously

19. Recommendation: That the Board take the following action concerning the purchase of One 2026 International HX520 Truck and One MAC Trailer for Waste Services:

A. Authorize the use of the Florida Sheriff's Association Contract #FSA23-EQU21.0 and Sourcewell Navistar Contract #032824-NVS; and

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19. Continued…

B. Approve and authorize the County Administrator to sign two Purchase Orders: one for $189,043.66 to Ward International Trucks for one 2026 International HX520 Truck; and one for $113,875 to Nationwide Haul, LLC, for one MAC Moving Floor Trailer for Waste Services.

Vendor	Funding	Amount	Contract Number
Ward International Trucks (Vendor #230580)	Fund 401 Cost Center 230307 Object Code 56402	$189,043.66	Sourcewell Navistar Contact #032824-NVS
Nationwide Haul, LLC (Vendor #432292)	Fund 401 Cost Center 230307 Object Code 56402	$113,875	FSA Contract #FSA23-EQU21.0

Motion: Move the balance **For information:** The “balance” refers to Budget/Finance Consent Agenda items 2 through 30, with the exception of items 28 and 29. Item 1 was also held for a separate vote.
Made by: Commissioner Kohler **Seconded by:** Commissioner May
Disposition: Carried unanimously

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II. BUDGET/FINANCE CONSENT AGENDA – Continued

20. Recommendation: That the Board take the following action regarding the purchase of one 2024 Ford F150 Super Crew 4x4 Truck for Public Safety Department/Emergency Medical Services (EMS):

A. Authorize the use of Florida Sheriff's Association Contracts #FSA 25VEL33; and

B. Approve and authorize the County Administrator to issue and sign a Purchase Order to Duval Ford for one 2024 Ford F-150 Super Crew 4x4 Truck for Public Safety/EMS.

Vendor/Contractor	**Funding**	**Amount**	**Contract Number**
Duval Ford (Vendor #042807)	Fund 408 Cost Center 330302 Object Code 56402	$58,112 (Truck is immediately available on the lot)	Florida Sheriff's Association Contract #FSA 25-VEL33

Motion: Move the balance **For information:** The “balance” refers to Budget/Finance Consent Agenda items 2 through 30, with the exception of items 28 and 29. Item 1 was also held for a separate vote.
Made by: Commissioner Kohler **Seconded by:** Commissioner May
Disposition: Carried unanimously

21. Recommendation: That the Board take the following action concerning the issuance of a Purchase Order, in excess of $50,000, to RoofConnect Logistics, Inc., for the Felix Miga Senior Citizen Center Roof Replacement:

A. Authorize the use of the OMNIA Region 4 Education Service Center Contract #R230403 for roof repairs with RoofConnect Logistics, Inc.; and

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II. BUDGET/FINANCE CONSENT AGENDA – Continued

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B. Approve and authorize the County Administrator or his designee to issue and sign a Purchase Order in the amount of $158,877 to RoofConnect Logistics, Inc.

Vendor	Funding	Amount	Contract
RoofConnect Logistics, Inc.	Fund 001, General Fund Cost Center 310204, Facilities Priority One	$158,877	Bid #BID-70539 OMNIA #R230403

Motion: Move the balance **For information:** The “balance” refers to Budget/Finance Consent Agenda items 2 through 30, with the exception of items 28 and 29. Item 1 was also held for a separate vote.
Made by: Commissioner Kohler **Seconded by:** Commissioner May
Disposition: Carried unanimously

22. Recommendation: That the Board take the following action concerning an Administrative Budget Amendment and Contract Award for the Design Criteria Professional Services—Kingsfield Road Fire Station (FS), PD 25-26.006:

A. Approve an Administrative Budget Amendment #ABA-26038, in the amount of $6,500,000, from LOST IV Reserves, transferring funds to LOST IV, Cost Center 330434, for the Kingsfield Fire Station Project #26FS3079;

Source of Funds	Amount	From Account Codes
LOST IV Reserves	$6,500,000	Fund 353, Cost Center 110280 Object Code 56301
Expenditures	**Amount**	**To Account Codes**
LOST IV — Kingsfield Road Fire Station	$6,500,000	Fund 353, Cost Center 330434, Object Code 56201 Project #26FS3079

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II. BUDGET/FINANCE CONSENT AGENDA – Continued

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B. Approve and authorize the County Administrator or designee to sign the Agreement between Escambia County and QSC Services, LLC, for Design Criteria Professional Services - Kingsfield Road Fire Station, per the terms and conditions of PD 25-26.006, in the amount of $702,000;

C. Approve and authorize the County Administrator or his designee to issue and sign a Purchase Order in the amount of $702,000 For Design Criteria Professional Services — Kingsfield Road Fire Station to QSC Services, LLC.; and

Vendor	Funding	Amount	Contract
QSC Services, LLC	Fund 353, LOST IV Cost Center, 330434 Public Safety Cap Project #26FS3079	$702,000	PD 25-26.006

D. Approve and authorize the Chair or County Administrator or his designee to sign, subject to legal review and sign-off, any subsequent agreements and program-related documents for this project that do not alter the finite terms of funding amounts or budgets.

Motion: Move the balance **For information:** The “balance” refers to Budget/Finance Consent Agenda items 2 through 30, with the exception of items 28 and 29. Item 1 was also held for a separate vote.
Made by: Commissioner Kohler **Seconded by:** Commissioner May
Disposition: Carried unanimously

II. BUDGET/FINANCE CONSENT AGENDA – Continued

23. Recommendation: That the Board approve Administrative Budget Amendment #ABA-26026, to transfer funds from Closed and/or Completed Projects in Local Option Sales Tax (LOST) III, in the amount of $5,337,576 to various active projects as listed below:

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District 1					
FROM			**TO**		
Project Name	**Amount**	**Funding Source**	**Project Name**	**Amount**	**Funding Source**
Crescent Lake	$141,311	Fund 352, LOST III, Cost Center 210107, Object Code 56301, PN15EN3252	Muldoon Road	$2,560,765	Fund 352, LOST III, Cost Center 210107, Object Code 56301, Project #26EN4362
Godwin Floridian	$300	Fund 352, LOST III, Cost Center 210107, Object Code 56301, PN19EN0431			
Saufley and Prospect BCC 5/25/2017	$87,000	Fund 352, LOST III, Cost Center 210107, Object Code 56301, PN17EN3941			
Sorrento Road (PD&E)	$2,000,000	Fund 352, LOST III, Cost Center 210107, Object Code 56301, PN11EN1661			
South Gulf Manor $150K BCC App 5/25/2017	$306,815	Fund 352, LOST III, Cost Center 210107, Object Code 56301, PN17EN3811			

Coral Creek Subdivision Drainage	$25,339	Fund 352, LOST III, Cost Center 210107, Object Code 56301, PN08EN0301			
Totals:	$2,560,765			$2,560,765	

District 2					
FROM			**TO**		
Project Name	**Amount**	**Funding Source**	**Project Name**	**Amount**	**Funding Source**
Navy Point	$251	Fund 352, LOST III, Cost Center 210107, Object Code 56301, PN11EN1272	Palmetto Drainage	$11,707	Fund 352, LOST III, Cost Center 210107, Object Code 56301, Project #26EN4342
Old Corry Outfall Drainage Improvements	$11,456	Fund 352, LOST III, Cost Center 210107, Object Code 56301, PN13EN2382			
Totals:	$11,707			$11,707	

District 3					
FROM			**TO**		
Project	**Amount**	**Funding Source**	**Project**	**Amount**	**Funding Source**
Airway Drive Sidewalk and Drainage	$6,500	Fund 352, LOST III, Cost Center 210107, Object Code 56301, PN09EN0033	Oakfield Drainage	$930,775	Fund 352, LOST III, Cost Center 210107, Object Code 56301, Project #26EN4333

Avery Street Drainage (Kupfrian Park)	$348,215	Fund 352, LOST III, Cost Center 210107, Object Code 56301, PN10EN0433			
Detroit	$165,684	Fund 352, LOST III, Cost Center 210107, Object Code 56301, PN13EN2523	Sidewalks District 3	$113,122	Fund 352, LOST III, Cost Center 210107, Object Code 56301, Project #26EN4313
Ensley Phase II-IV	$34,540	Fund 352, LOST III, Cost Center 210107, Object Code 56301, PN08EN0313			
Maplewoods Phase I	$85,732	Fund 352, LOST III, Cost Center 210107, Object Code 56301, PN09EN0093			
Ortega	$2,123	Fund 352, LOST III, Cost Center 210107, Object Code 56301, PN17EN3973			
Sidewalks	$72,082	Fund 352, LOST III, Cost Center 210107, Object Code 56301, PN08EN0228			

Spring Street BCC Approval 5/25/2017	$329,021	Fund 352, LOST III, Cost Center 210107, Object Code 56301, PN17EN3963			
Totals:	$1,043,897			$1,043,897	

District 4					
FROM			**TO**		
Project	**Amount**	**Funding Source**	Project	**Amount**	**Funding Source**
Drainage Basin Studies-Carpenters Creek	$21,025	Fund 352, LOST III, Cost Center 210107, Object Code 56301, PN13EN2198	Bulevar Drainage	$4,829	Fund 352, LOST III, Cost Center 210107, Object Code 56301, Project #26EN4374
Fairchild Drainage Project	$1,165	Fund 352, LOST III, Cost Center 210107, Object Code 56301, PN08EN0524	Olive Road	$21,025	Fund 352, LOST III, Cost Center 210107, Object Code 56301, Project #26EN4354
Ferry Pass, Zone 2 Drainage Project	$3,664	Fund 352, LOST III, Cost Center 210107, Object Code 56301, PN08EN0334			
Totals:	$25,854			$25,854	

District 5					
FROM			**TO**		
Project	**Amount**	**Funding Source**	**Project**	**Amount**	**Funding Source**

Quintette Road Realignment	$32,093	Fund 352, LOST III, Cost Center 210107, Object Code 56301, PN14EN2825	Quintette	$32,093	Fund 352, LOST III, Cost Center 210107, Object Code 56301, Project #19EN4215
Well Line Road	$1,500,000	Fund 352, LOST III, Cost Center 210107, Object Code 56301, PN19EN4205	Kingsfield Extension	$1,500,000	Fund 352, LOST III, Cost Center 210107, Object Code 56301, Project #11EN1405
Totals:	$1,532,093			$1,532,093	

N/A					
FROM			**TO**		
Project	**Amount**	**Funding Source**	**Project**	**Amount**	**Funding Source**
ITS Application (Box)	$163,260	Fund 352, LOST III, Cost Center 210107, Object Code 56301, PN11EN1028	Traffic Improvements	$163,260	Fund 352, LOST III, Cost Center 210107, Object Code 56301, Project #26EN4389
Totals:	$163,260			$163,260	
GRAND TOTAL ALL:	$5,337,576			$5,337,576	

Motion: Move the balance **For information:** The “balance” refers to Budget/Finance Consent Agenda items 2 through 30, with the exception of items 28 and 29. Item 1 was also held for a separate vote.
Made by: Commissioner Kohler **Seconded by:** Commissioner May
Disposition: Carried unanimously

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II. BUDGET/FINANCE CONSENT AGENDA – Continued

24. Recommendation: That the Board take the following action concerning the Contract Award for Professional Services, PD 23-24.010.1:

A. Approve and authorize the County Administrator to sign the Agreement between Escambia County, Florida, and Duplantis Design Group, PC, per the terms and conditions of PD 23-24.010.1, Contract Award for Professional Services;

B. Approve and authorize the County Administrator to sign the Agreement between Escambia County, Florida, and England, Thims & Miller, Inc., per the terms and conditions of PD 23-24.010.1, Contract Award for Professional Services;

C. Approve and authorize the County Administrator to sign the Agreement between Escambia County, Florida, and Michael Baker International, Inc., per the terms and conditions of PD 23-24.010.1, Contract Award for Professional Services;

D. Approve and authorize the County Administrator to sign the Agreement between Escambia County, Florida, and Walker Walker Consulting, LLC, per the terms and conditions of PD 23-24.010.1, Contract Award for Professional Services; and

E. Approve and authorize the department(s), in conjunction with the Office of Purchasing, to negotiate Task Orders according to Florida Statutes 287.055, "Consultants Competitive Negotiation Act" (A&E Services), on a project-by-project basis.

Motion: Move the balance **For information:** The “balance” refers to Budget/Finance Consent Agenda items 2 through 30, with the exception of items 28 and 29. Item 1 was also held for a separate vote.
Made by: Commissioner Kohler **Seconded by:** Commissioner May
Disposition: Carried unanimously

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT – Continued

II. BUDGET/FINANCE CONSENT AGENDA – Continued

25. Recommendation: That the Board take the following action concerning the Contract Award for Oakfield Palafox Bore and Jack Project, PD 25-26.013:

A. Approve the Agreement between Escambia County, Florida, and Utility Services Company, Inc., per the terms and conditions of the Contract Award for Oakfield Palafox Bore and Jack Project, PD 25-26.013, in the amount of $540,302.77 (Allowance Plus Base Bid Plus Alternate Bid B);

Base Bid	$206,953.89
Allowance	$20,000
Alternate Bid B	$313,348.88
Total	$540,302.77

B. Approve and authorize the County Administrator to sign the Agreement; and

C. Approve and authorize the County Administrator to issue and sign a Purchase Order, in the amount of $540,302.77, to Utility Services Company, Inc.

Vendor	Funding	Amount	Contract Number
Utility Services Company, Inc.	Fund 352, LOST III, Cost Center 210107, Object Code 56301, Project Number 26EN4333	$540,302.77	PD 25-26.013

The Oakfield Palafox Bore and Jack Project is located in Commission District 3.

Motion: Move the balance **For information:** The “balance” refers to Budget/Finance Consent Agenda items 2 through 30, with the exception of items 28 and 29. Item 1 was also held for a separate vote.
Made by: Commissioner Kohler **Seconded by:** Commissioner May
Disposition: Carried unanimously

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT – Continued

II. BUDGET/FINANCE CONSENT AGENDA – Continued

26. Recommendation: That the Board take the following action concerning the issuance of a Purchase Order on Contract PD 23-24.010 "Professional Services" for Design Services for the Oakfield Acres Palafox Street Phase 3 Drainage Project for the Engineering Department:

A. Approve and authorize the County Administrator to issue and sign a Purchase Order, in the amount of $249,765, to Waggoner Engineering, Inc., for Design Services for the Oakfield Acres Palafox Street Phase 3 Drainage Project for the Engineering Department; and

Vendor/Contractor	Funding	Amount	Contract Number
Waggoner Engineering, Inc.	Fund 353, LOST IV, Cost Center 210106, Object Code 56301, Project #21EN1613	$249,765	PD 23-24.010

B. Approve and authorize the department(s), in connection with the Office of Purchasing, to negotiate a Task Order according to Florida Statutes 287.055, "Consultants Competitive Negotiation Act" (A&E Services) on a project-by-project basis.

Motion: Move the balance **For information:** The “balance” refers to Budget/Finance Consent Agenda items 2 through 30, with the exception of items 28 and 29. Item 1 was also held for a separate vote.
Made by: Commissioner Kohler **Seconded by:** Commissioner May
Disposition: Carried unanimously

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT – Continued

II. BUDGET/FINANCE CONSENT AGENDA – Continued

27. Recommendation: That the Board take the following action concerning a Triumph Gulf Coast pre-application submitted by Escambia County:

A. Approve the Escambia County Next-Generation 9-1-1 (NG911) Transition and Public Safety Communications Modernization Project pre-application to Triumph Gulf Coast, Inc.; and

B. Authorize the Chair to sign and submit a Letter of Support to the Triumph Gulf Coast Board.

Motion: Move the balance **For information:** The “balance” refers to Budget/Finance Consent Agenda items 2 through 30, with the exception of items 28 and 29. Item 1 was also held for a separate vote.
Made by: Commissioner Kohler **Seconded by:** Commissioner May
Disposition: Carried unanimously

28. Recommendation: That the Board take the following action concerning the State of Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) Public Transportation Grant Agreement (PTGA) #421368-3-84-26 for Corridor Operating Grant Funding:

A. Approve PTGA #422260-1-84-08, providing the FDOT participation, in the amount of $150,957, of Fiscal Year 2026 Corridor Grant Funding, to the Mass Transit Department;

B. Adopt the Resolution [R2026-11] authorizing the Grant Agreement; and

C. Authorize the Chair to execute the Resolution, PTGA Notification of Funding, and all other required documents pertaining to this PTGA, without further action of the Board.

The County Attorney's Office has requested that the Board be advised that the Public Transportation Grant Agreement includes the following provisions:

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18.a. It is specifically agreed between the Parties executing the Agreement.....the Agency shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the State of Florida, Department of Transportation, including the Department's officers and employees, from liabilities, damages, losses, and costs, including, but not limited to, reasonable attorney's fees, to the extent caused by negligence, recklessness, or intentional wrongful misconduct of the Agency and persons employed or utilized by the Agency in the performance of this Agreement.....

19.j. Law, Forum, and Venue. This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Florida. In the event of a conflict between any portion of the contract and Florida law, the laws of Florida shall prevail. The Agency agrees to waive forum and venue and that the Department shall determine the forum and venue in which any dispute under this Agreement is decided.

This grant will reimburse Escambia County Area Transit (ECAT) for budgeted Route 60 operating expenses, up to $150,957. This grant does not require a local match commitment. The Fiscal Year 2026 Budget included an estimated amount for this grant. There will be no additional costs to the County due to this action.

Motion: Move [the item]
Made by: Commissioner May **Seconded by:** Commissioner Barry
Disposition: Carried unanimously
Speaker(s): Carolyn Grawi and Melissa Pino

29. Recommendation: That the Board take the following action concerning the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) Transportation Alternatives (TA) Program Application:

A. Approve submission of a TA Program application for the design and construction of safety and Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) improvements to the Pensacola Beach Shared Use Path along Fort Pickens Road (CR-399) and Via de Luna Drive;

B. Adopt and authorize the Chair to sign a Resolution [R2026-12] supporting the TA Program application;

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II. BUDGET/FINANCE CONSENT AGENDA – Continued

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C. Approve and authorize the Chair to sign the TA Program Certification of Project Sponsor Form; and

D. Approve and authorize the Chair, the County Administrator, or the County Administrator's designee, subject to legal review and approval, to execute any subsequent agreements or program related documents associated with the grant application that do not alter the approved scope or funding amounts.

Motion: So moved
Made by: Commissioner Barry **Seconded by:** Commissioner May
Disposition: Carried unanimously
Speaker(s): Carolyn Grawi, Melissa Pino, and Kevin Wade

30. Recommendation: That the Board take the following action concerning Amendment #2 to the FWC Agreement #21216 with the State of Florida, Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission:

A. Approve and authorize the Chair to execute Amendment #2 to the FWC Agreement #21216 with the State of Florida, Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission relating to the Escambia County Ex-Oriskany PCB Artificial Reef Monitoring 2021-24 Program. Amendment #2 will change the compensation amount from $67,500 to $90,000, and increase Deliverable #1 (fish collection and PCB analysis) to 120 units; and

B. Adopt and authorize the Chair to sign the Resolution [R2026-13] approving the Supplemental Budget Amendment #SBA-26024, Fund 110, in the amount of $22,500, to recognize the proceeds from FWC and to appropriate these funds for fish collection and PCB analysis for the Ex-Oriskany Artificial Reef.

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Revenues			
Source of Funds	**Amount**	**Account Codes**	**Contract**
Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC)	$22,500	Fund 110, Other Grants and Projects, Revenue Account 334326	FWC #21216 - Amendment 2
Total Revenue	$22,500		
Expenditures			
Source of Funds	**Amount**	**Account Codes**	**Contract**
Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC)	$22,500	Fund 110, Other Grants and Projects, Cost Center 220338, Oriskany PCB Monitoring, Object Code 53101	FWC #21216 - Amendment 2
Total Expenditures	$22,500		

Motion: Move the balance **For information:** The "balance" refers to Budget/Finance Consent Agenda items 2 through 30, with the exception of items 28 and 29. Item 1 was also held for a separate vote.
Made by: Commissioner Kohler **Seconded by:** Commissioner May
Disposition: Carried unanimously

III. FOR DISCUSSION

1. Recommendation: That the Board take the following action concerning the purchase of real property located at 176 DeSoto Road in Cantonment:

   A. Approve the contract for $200,000 for approximately 6.7 acres from William and Jessica Ruzicka;

   B. Authorize and approve the Chair to sign the Contract for Sale and Purchase approved by the County Attorney for the acquisition of real property located at 176 DeSoto Road; and

   C. Authorize the County Attorney's Office to prepare, and the Chair to sign, subject to legal review and sign-off, any documents necessary to complete the acquisition of this property without further action of the Board (if the purchase is approved).

   This acquisition is located in Commission District 5.

Motion: Move the item, A, B, and C
Made by: Commissioner Barry **Seconded by:** Commissioner May
Disposition: Carried unanimously

2. Recommendation: In accordance with Section 46-139 of the Escambia County Code of Ordinances and consistent with Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) acquisition requirements, the Board either approve or deny the following action regarding the acquisition of real property for the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program - Voluntary Home Buyout (HMGP-VHB):

   A. Authorize the purchase of the following parcel in accordance with the terms and conditions contained in the Contract for Sale and Purchase, and Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) Guidelines:

Property Owner	Property Address	Parcel Size	Purchase Price
John C. and Jodi C. Odom	210 Thayer Ave	0.42 Acres	$375,000

   B. Approve the Contract for Sale and Purchase for the acquisition of real property in the HMGP-VHB program;

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C. Authorize the payment of documentary stamps and recording fees, pursuant to HMGP guidelines; and

D. Authorize the County Attorney's Office to prepare and the Chair or Vice Chair to execute, subject to legal review and sign-off, any documents necessary to complete these acquisitions without further action of the Board.

Funds are available as indicated below:

Fund	Cost Center	Object Code	Project No.	Description	Project Name
112	210138	56301	FDEM4564	FDEM HMPG 4564 Grant 4564-031-R	Bristol Park
112	210139	56301	4564032R	FDEM HMPG 4564 Grant 4564-032-R	County Wide Acquisitions
112	210140	56301	4564024R	FDEM HMPG 4564 Grant 4564-024-R	Sagebrush
112	210143	56301	4486017R	COVID 19 HMGP Grant 4456-017-R	Escambia Co Pensacola and Cantonment Acquisitions
128	210151	56301		CDBG -DR Rebuild Florida Voluntary - Voluntary Home Buyout	Match 10%

Motion: Move III-2, A, B, C, D
Made by: Commissioner Kohler **Seconded by:** Commissioner Barry
Disposition: Carried unanimously

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT – Continued

III. FOR DISCUSSION – Continued

3. Recommendation: That the Board confirm Ms. Kaycee Lagarde as the Director of Communications and Public Information, with an annual salary of $134,201.16, and a car allowance of $400 per month, effective Friday, January 23, 2026. This position is currently budgeted in the Fiscal Year 2025-2026.

Motion: So moved
Made by: Commissioner Barry **Seconded by:** Commissioner Kohler
Disposition: Carried unanimously
Speaker(s): Kaycee Lagarde

4. Recommendation: That the Board hold a discussion concerning the Pensacola Bay Center.

Motion: No action taken **For information:** The Board heard a presentation about proposed updates and additions to the Bay Center from Michael Capps, General Manager of the Pensacola Bay Center; Doug Thornton, President of the North American Venues with Legends Global; Bill Krueger, Senior Vice President with Legends Global and Principal with CSL; Mike Kenny, Regional Vice President with Legends Global; and Aaron Bruckerhoff, Principal and Senior Architect with Populous. The Board held a robust discussion about the potential recommended changes to the Bay Center, the addition of an event center, attached hotel, and multiple ice sheets, and emphasized the importance of addressing parking in the renovations. The Board also agreed to continue discussion after the City received and reviewed its own study.
Speaker(s): Charles Johnson, Darien Schaefer, Melissa Pino, and Carolyn Grawi

COUNTY ATTORNEY'S REPORT – Alison Rogers, County Attorney

I. FOR ACTION

1. Recommendation: That the Board authorize the scheduling of a private meeting with its attorneys to discuss pending litigation, in accordance with Section 286.011(8), Fla. Stat., in the case of *Whitesell-Green/Caddel JV, LLC v. Escambia County, Florida v. DLR Group, Inc.*, Case No.: 2022 CA 000219, for Thursday, February 19, 2026, at 8:30 a.m., and approve a public notice advertising the session to be published in the Pensacola News Journal on Thursday, February 5, 2026, as follows:

PUBLIC NOTICE

IT IS THE INTENTION of the Board of County Commissioners of Escambia County, Florida to hold a private session with its attorneys to discuss pending litigation in the case of *Whitesell-Green/Caddell JV, LLC v. Escambia County, Florida v. DLR Group, Inc.*, Case No.: 2022 CA 000219, in accordance with Section 286.011(8), Florida Statutes. At the conclusion of the private session, the Board will reconvene to announce the termination of the session and may take formal action. Such attorney/client session will be held at 8:30 a.m. on Thursday, February 19, 2026, in the Ernie Lee Magaha Government Building, Board Chambers, 221 Palafox Place, Pensacola, Florida. Commissioners Ashlee Hofberger, Steve Stroberger, Mike Kohler, Lumon J. May, and Steven Barry, County Administrator Wes Moreno, County Attorney Alison P. Rogers, Senior Assistant County Attorney Will Nelson, John F. Asmar and Richard A. Fillmore with Cole Scott & Kissane, and Bradley Copenhaver with VLP Copenhaver Espino, attorneys representing Escambia County in the foregoing litigation, will attend. A certified court reporter will attend and report the attorney/client session.

Motion: So moved
Made by: Commissioner Barry **Seconded by:** Commissioner Stroberger
Disposition: Carried unanimously

ITEMS ADDED TO THE AGENDA – None.

ANNOUNCEMENTS – None.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, Commissioner Hofberger, Chair, declared the Regular Meeting of the Board of County Commissioners adjourned at 1:26 p.m.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
ESCAMBIA COUNTY, FLORIDA

By: ______________________
Ashlee M. Hofberger, Chair

ATTEST:

Pam Childers
Clerk of the Circuit Court & Comptroller

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Deputy Clerk

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
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Approved: February 5, 2026